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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]

Director, Psychological Strategy Board

SUBJECT:

Status of CIA's Planning with regard to Plan [REDACTED]

1. In reference to your letter of 30 October, you have doubtless been advised that plan [REDACTED] was originally instigated by the Department of State. At their request a working group composed of representatives of CIA, Department of State, and the Department of Defense was set up. [REDACTED] acted as Monitor.

2. After the first four or five meetings of the working group, it was decided by the POCG, to whom the question had been referred, that no further progress could be made without additional intelligence. For this reason it was requested that the Office of Intelligence Research, Department of State, secure the answers to certain questions. When this intelligence material was assembled the Department of State was to notify the other members of the working group.

3. In the meantime, the following steps have been taken:

[REDACTED] The plan will be finalized as soon as the appropriate intelligence material has been made available by the Department of State.

b. CIA has also drafted an emergency plan, [REDACTED] in case [REDACTED] occurs previous to the completion of plan [REDACTED]

4. It is our judgment that presently available intelligence is adequate to implement certain aspects of plan [REDACTED]. It is also felt desirable that final plans should be drawn as rapidly as possible if additional intelligence is now available.

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